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✠ By the Maior.



Drafinuch as alwayes hertofore, great study and care hath bene taken, and had within this Citie of London, for the cleane keeping of streates, lanes, and allies within the sayd Citie, thereby the rather to auoyde sicknes and infection, comonly comming and growing by the vncleane keeping of the same: It is therefore now thought very meete and expedient by my Lord Maior, and the worshipfull the Aldermen his brethren, that like care be now had of the same Citie, hauing consideration not onely to the heate of the wether, naturally comming by the course of the yeare: but also the accesse and abode within this Citie of the most part of the Nobilitie, and worshipfull of this Realme, together with the great number of Inhabitauntes within the same.

For the better preservation of which Citie, and the Citizens thereof, from the causes of infection, and sicknesse within the sayd Citie, my Lorde Maior straightly chargeth, and commaundeth in the Queenes Maiesties name, that from hencefoorth all persons inhabiting within this Citie, or the Liberties and Suburbes thereof, and hauing any welles or pumpe within the same, shall cause euery day before vi. of the clocke in the morning, to be drawne out of their welles and pumpe, ten buckets full of water at the least, and the same do cause to be poured or cast into the streates and cannel, for the washing and clensing of the sayd streates. And also that the same streates and cannel be swept and made cleane euery morning before vi. of the clocke, and euery euening after vi, and at no other times of the day, and the filth of the streates and cannel thereof, shall cause at the same times to be swepte together into some conuenient place in the streates and out of the cannel of the same, so that the water running through the sayd streates, may not in any wise carry any part of the same filth away. And also that all the filth of the same streates be carped away by the Scauenger euery second day at the furthest, vpon payne of imprisonment of euery person and persons offending contrary to the meaning of this proclamation.

And mozeouer that no Inhabitaunt, or other, within this Citie, shall suffer his or theyr dogges, to be out of his or theyr doores, after x. of the clocke in the night, and before iiii. of the clocke in the morning. And if any so do, that then it shall and may be lawfull for euery person to carry away, or kill euery such dogge, or dogges so taken, or founde in the same streates after the sayd hower of ten of the clocke at night, and before sower of the clocke in the morning, without any hurt or damage to him or them that shall so do.

God saue the Queene.

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